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This responds to the Final Office Action mailed on October 26, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination.

This response is also accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a 3-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from January 26, 2008 to April 26, 2008 (a Saturday).

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